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Re: K230194

Trade/Device Name: HF Surgery Generator 400KHZ  
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 878.4400  
Regulation Name: Electrosurgical Cutting And Coagulation Device And Accessories  
Regulatory Class: Class II  
Product Code: GEI  
Dated: January 23, 2023  
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Dear Mike Mcandrew:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. Although this letter refers to your product as a device, please be aware that some cleared products may instead be combination products. The 510(k) Premarket Notification Database located at <https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfpmn/pmn.cfm> identifies combination product submissions. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration. Please note: CDRH does not evaluate information related to contract liability warranties. We remind you, however, that device labeling must be truthful and not misleading.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (PMA), it may be subject to additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 898. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register.

Please be advised that FDA's issuance of a substantial equivalence determination does not mean that FDA has made a determination that your device complies with other requirements of the Act or any Federal statutes and regulations administered by other Federal agencies. You must comply with all the Act's

requirements, including, but not limited to: registration and listing (21 CFR Part 807); labeling (21 CFR Part 801); medical device reporting (reporting of medical device-related adverse events) (21 CFR 803) for devices or postmarketing safety reporting (21 CFR 4, Subpart B) for combination products (see <https://www.fda.gov/combination-products/guidance-regulatory-information/postmarketing-safety-reporting-combination-products>); good manufacturing practice requirements as set forth in the quality systems (QS) regulation (21 CFR Part 820) for devices or current good manufacturing practices (21 CFR 4, Subpart A) for combination products; and, if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR 1000-1050.

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For comprehensive regulatory information about medical devices and radiation-emitting products, including information about labeling regulations, please see Device Advice (<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/device-advice-comprehensive-regulatory-assistance>) and CDRH Learn (<https://www.fda.gov/training-and-continuing-education/cdrh-learn>). Additionally, you may contact the Division of Industry and Consumer Education (DICE) to ask a question about a specific regulatory topic. See the DICE website (<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/device-advice-comprehensive-regulatory-assistance/contact-us-division-industry-and-consumer-education-dice>) for more information or contact DICE by email ([DICE@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:DICE@fda.hhs.gov)) or phone (1-800-638-2041 or 301-796-7100).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

## Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)

To be determined

Device Name

HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ

Indications for Use (Describe)

The product is used for generating high frequency electrical current for cutting and coagulating tissue electrosurgically.

Type of Use (Select one or both, as applicable)

Prescription Use (Part 21 CFR 801 Subpart D)

Over-The-Counter Use (21 CFR 801 Subpart C)

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**5 510(k) Summary**

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**II Device**

*Table 5-1: Device classification*

Brand name	Trade name	Model Number	Product classification name	Regulation Number and Name	Product Code	Device Class	Review Panel
2260	HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ	2260003	Electrosurgical , Cutting & Coagulation & Accessories	878.4400 Electrosurgical cutting and coagulation device and accessories	GEI	Class II	General and Plastic Surgery
N/A	FOOTSWITCH 2 PEDALS L 5M	2260021					

N/A	HF CONNECTION CABLE BIPO L 3M	8108233				
N/A	HF CONNECTION CABLE BIPO L 5M	8108253				

**III Predicate Device**

Trade name of Predicate Device: ARC 400  
 510(k) Number: K193591  
 Regulatory Class: Class II  
 Product Code: GEI  
 Manufacturer: BOWA-Electronics GmbH & Co. KG

The predicate has not been subject to a design-related recall.  
 No reference devices were used in this submission.

**5.1 Subject Device Description**

**5.1.1 Device Identification**

*Table 5-2: Device identification*

Brand name	Model Number	Trade name	Package unit
2260	2260003	HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ	1
N/A	2260021	FOOTSWITCH 2 PEDALS L 5M	1
N/A	8108233	HF CONNECTION CABLE BIPO L 3M	1
N/A	8108253	HF CONNECTION CABLE BIPO L 5M	1

**5.1.2 Device characteristics**

**Delivered sterile / non-sterile**

The HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ is delivered non-sterile and sterilization is not required.

**Single use / reusable**

The devices are reusable and do require cleaning and reprocessing during their use-life, i.e., users are required to clean and disinfect the device before every application and before returning for repairs. Methods of cleaning and reprocessing are detailed in the Instruction for Use.

### Software

The HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ contains software.

The software is classified as a **Major Level of Concern**.

### Materials with patient contact

The HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ is not intended to contact the patient directly or indirectly.

#### 5.1.3 Brief written description of the Device

The HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ is used for electrosurgical cutting and coagulation of living human tissue. For this purpose, electrical energy from the power supply network is transformed into high frequency current which allows this surgical property. The device offers a multitude of different profiled current forms which are optimized for the different surgical requirements. It is equipped for monopolar and bipolar cutting and coagulation in micro- and macrosurgical operations.

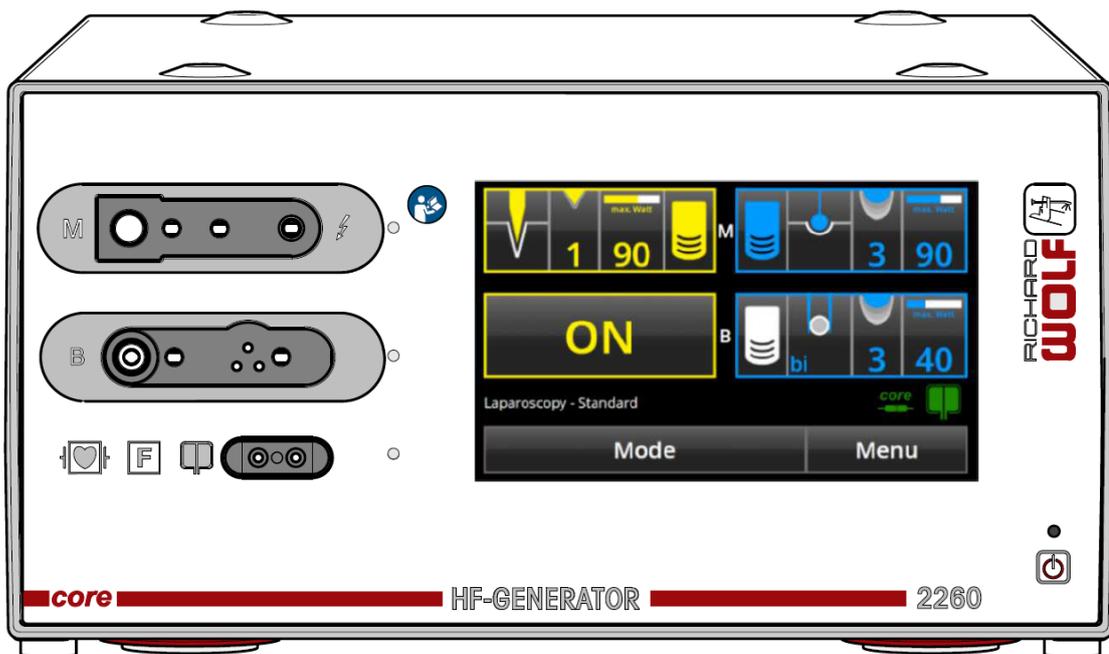


Figure 05-1: Richard Wolf HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ

#### 5.1.4 Materials of Use

The HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ consists of a metal housing which does not have any patient contact.

### 5.2 Indications for Use

#### Statement

The product is used for generating high frequency electrical current for cutting and coagulating tissue electrosurgically.

### User

This product is exclusively intended for use by specialized medical personnel and must only be used by medically qualified and adequately instructed persons.

### Patient population

The product is intended for adult patients.

The patient group intended for the application of the medical product herein described is not limited with regard to ethnicity, gender, body height and weight. Before use, the attending physician must make sure that the product in view of its dimensions or settings can be used safely in the patient.

### Explanation on differences to the predicate device

In comparison to the predicate device, the usage of the subject device is further restricted to adults. However, the full indication of use for the subject device is covered by the predicate device and reducing the scope does not lead to new questions regarding safety and effectiveness.

## 5.3 Comparison of Technological Characteristics with the Predicate Device

### 5.3.1 Overview Table

Table 5-3: Comparison of technical characteristics

Item	Subject device	Predicate devices	Comparison
<b>General information</b>			
Product name	HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ	ARC 400 Electrosurgical Unit	N/A
Brand name	2260	N/A	N/A
Type No.	2260003	900400	N/A
510(k) number	TBD / subject device	K193591	N/A
Manufacturer	Richard Wolf GmbH	BOWA-electronics GmbH & Co. KG	N/A
Product Code	GEI	GEI	Same
Regulation Number	878.4400	878.4400	Same
Indications for Use	The product is used for generating high frequency electrical current for cutting and coagulating tissue electrosurgically.	The HF device is intended exclusively for the generation of electrical power for monopolar and bipolar cutting and coagulation on tissue structures in surgical operations.	Equivalent
Contraindications	Contraindications directly related to the product are presently unknown. If medical contraindications for the mentioned indications are known, the use of the products is not permitted. On the basis of the patient's general condition the doctor in charge must decide whether or not the planned use is possible.	Do not use the HF device if, in the opinion of an experienced physician or according to current professional literature, such use would endanger the patient, due for example to the general condition of the patient, or if other contraindications are present.	Equivalent
Prescription/ over-the-counter-use	RX only	RX only	Same

Item	Subject device	Predicate devices	Comparison
Sterile/Non-sterile device	Non-sterile device	Non-sterile device	Same
Single use/ Reusable	Reusable device	Reusable device	Same
Sterilization method	Non-sterile device	Non-sterile device	Same
Reprocessing	Cleaning and disinfection solution/wipes for low level should be based on alcohol. Examples for suitable substances for cleaning and disinfection of surfaces: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Propanol</li> <li>• Ethanol</li> <li>• Didecyldimethylammoniumchloride</li> <li>• Dimethylbenzylammoniumchloride</li> </ul>	Apply the cleaning agent and disinfectant. Wipe down the HF device only with cleaning agents and disinfectants that are approved in the country of use for surface cleaning.	Equivalent
Maintenance intervals	12 months	12 months	Same
Operating Condition	Ambient temperature +10 °C to +40 °C Relative humidity 30% to 75% (non-condensing) Atmospheric pressure 700 hPa to 1060 hPa	Temperature: +10 °C to +40 °C Relative humidity: 30 to 75%, non-condensing Atmospheric pressure: 700 to 1600 hPa Operating altitude (max.) 4000 m above sea level	Equivalent
Storage and Transport Conditions	Ambient temperature -20 °C to +60 °C Relative humidity 10% to 90% (non-condensing) Atmospheric pressure 700 hPa to 1060 hPa	Temperature: -20 °C to +50 °C Relative humidity 0 to 75 %, non-condensing Atmospheric pressure: 500 to 1600 hPa	Equivalent
<b>Operational modes / settings</b>			
Mode: Monopolar cutting			
Modes	12	12	Same
Max. Power	400 W (at 500 Ω)	400 W (at 200 Ω)	Same
Output Frequency	403 - 500 kHz	350 kHz	Different
Max. Voltage Output	3150 Vp	1600 Vp	Different
Crest Factor	1.4 - 4.4	1.5, 3.5	Different
Wave Forms	Sinusoidal Constant Sinusoidal Modulated Sinusoidal Alternating	Sinusoidal Constant Sinusoidal Modulated Sinusoidal Alternating Cut/Coag/Pause Phases	Equivalent
Mode: Monopolar coagulation			
Modes	15	9	Different
Max. Power	200 W (at 350 Ω)	250 W (at 500 Ω)	Different
Output Frequency	375 - 500 kHz	350 kHz	Different
Max. Voltage Output	5000 Vp	5000 Vp	Equivalent
Crest Factor	1.4 - 7.6	1.6 - 7.4	Different
Wave Forms	Sinusoidal Constant Sinusoidal Modulated Pulse Modulated	Sinusoidal Constant Sinusoidal Modulated Pulse Modulated	Same
Mode: Bipolar cutting			

Item	Subject device	Predicate devices	Comparison
Modes	8	4	Different
Max. Power	300 W (at 100 $\Omega$ )	400W (at 75 $\Omega$ )	Different
Output Frequency	355 - 381 kHz	350 kHz	Different
Max. Voltage Output	750 Vp	500 Vp	Different
Crest Factor	1.4 - 2.3	1.5 - 1.6	Different
Wave Forms	Sinusoidal Constant	Sinusoidal Constant	Same
Mode: Bipolar coagulation			
Modes	9	9	Equivalent
Max. Power	250 W (at 75 $\Omega$ )	350 W (at 25 $\Omega$ )	Different
Output Frequency	338 - 381 kHz	350 kHz	Different
Max. Voltage Output	425 Vp	550 Vp	Different
Crest Factor	1.4 - 1.7	1.5 - 3.8	Different
Wave Forms	Sinusoidal Constant Pulse Modulated	Sinusoidal Constant Pulse Modulated	Same
<b>Technological characteristics</b>			
Standard compliance	IEC 60601-1:2005 (19-4) IEC 60601-1-2:2014 (19-8) IEC 60601-2-2:2017 (6-389)	IEC 60601-1: 2005 (19-4) IEC 60601-1-2: 2014 (19-8) IEC 60601-2-2:2017 (6-389)	Same
Voltage [V]	100-240 V	230 V	Equivalent
Frequency [Hz]	50/60 Hz	50/60 Hz	Same
Power consumption [VA] / Current rating [A]	45 without HF output 650 at max. output power	85 power consumption in standby mode 975 maximum power consumption with 300 W HF output power	Equivalent
Protection class to EN/IEC 60601-1; (UL 2601-1/CSA C22.2 No.601.1 – for USA)	I	I	Same
Protection against electric shock	CF applied part, defibrillator-proof	CF	Same
Degree of protection against liquids	IPX0	IP 21	Equivalent
Weight [kg]	10.2 kg (22.4 lbs)	approx. 12.5 kg	Different
Dimensions	300 x 160 x 402 mm	430 x 180 x 475 mm	Different
Material	Metal & plastics	Metal & plastics	Equivalent
Single-Use	No	No	Same
Light Source	No	No	Same
Battery Operated	No	No	Same
AC Powered	Yes	Yes	Same
Software version	1.4.3	1.0.0.6.17.9	Different
USB Port	Yes	Yes	Same
Potential equalization connector	Yes	Yes	Same
LAN (Ethernet) Network Connector (RJ45)	Yes	Yes	Same

Item	Subject device	Predicate devices	Comparison
Foot switch socket connector	Yes	Yes	Same
Control elements / user interface	Touchscreen	Touchscreen	Same
<b>Materials with patient contact</b>			
Materials with direct patient contact	N/A - no materials with direct patient contact	N/A - no materials with direct patient contact	Same
Materials with indirect patient contact	N/A - no materials with indirect patient contact	N/A - no materials with indirect patient contact	Same
<b>Instruction for use</b>			
Version	GA-A339 / en / US / V0.6	900-400_IFU_V1.0.0.6.17.9_2 0140-S2-20130604-EN	Different

### 5.3.2 Discussion

The subject device and the predicate device share the same fundamental technology. They both convert electrical energy from the grid into a high-frequency current which provides the surgical property. For that purpose, monopolar and bipolar high frequency current modes were provided to the corresponding socket module. The fundamental frequencies of about 400 kHz provided by the subject and the predicate device are comparable and substantial equivalent. Both generators feature a maximum power output of 400 W.

The general and technical characteristics that differ between the predicate and the subject device are differences in PCB layouts, software including the graphical user interface, number of output sockets and other technical characteristics such as power consumption and weight, dimensions. These differences do not question safety and effectiveness of the subject devices, several performance tests were performed, such as:

- Validation of the electromagnetic compatibility and electrical safety (Section 17 - Electromagnetic Compatibility and Electrical Safety)
- Validation of the performance on tissue (Section 19 – Performing Testing Animal)
- Validation of the performance based on waveform comparison and the tissue study (Section 18 – Performance Testing Bench)
- Performance testing due to the different software functions, the change in power consumption, cooling method, and the “Dialog” function (Section 18 – Performance Testing Bench)
- Transportation validation (Section 18 - Performance Testing Bench)

## 5.4 Performance Testing

### 5.4.1 Sterilization

N/A

### 5.4.2 Biocompatibility

N/A

### **5.4.3 Electromagnetic Compatibility and Electrical Safety**

The predicate device and the device covered by this registration are classified in protection class I according to 60601-1. They both fulfil the electrical safety requirements of IEC 60601-1, IEC 60601-2-2 and IEC 60601-1-2. Based on that, the devices are considered to be comparable in terms of electromagnetic compatibility and electrical safety.

### **5.4.4 Performance and Operational testing**

The efficacy and safety of the HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ is documented by the verification and validation testing which confirms that the product meets all the requirements and specifications for overall design, basic safety, essential performance, and that the design inputs and specifications are met.

## **5.5 Conclusions**

The HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ has the same intended use and field of application as the legally marketed predicate device named in this submission.

The same performance tests were concluded for the subject device as for the predicate device. Therefore, no comparison testing was performed. Non-clinical performance testing, including Electromagnetic Compatibility, Electrical Safety, and Software Verification and Validation, demonstrated that the safety and performance of the device is equivalent to the predicate device. Differences in characteristics described in Section 12.2 do not raise any new questions regarding the safety and effectiveness of the HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ compared to the predicate device.

The HF SURGERY GENERATOR 400KHZ is substantially equivalent to the legally marketed predicate device ARC 400 (K193591).